## Eric Stewart



Eric Stewart is the Founder & CEO of the following business groups:

- American-Central European Business Association (ACEBA)
- American-Czech Business Council (ACBC)
- American-Lithuanian Business Council (ALBC)
- American-Romanian Business Council (AMRO)
- American-Serbian Business Council (<u>ASBC</u>)
- American-Ukrainian Business Council (<u>AUBC</u>)
- U.S.-Hungary Business Council (<u>USHBC</u>)
- U.S.-Mexico Business Coalition (<u>USMBC</u>)
- U.S.-Poland Business Council (USPBC)
- U.S.-Turkmenistan Business Council (<u>USTBC</u>)
- U.S.-Ecuador Business Coalition (<u>USEBC</u>)

Previously, Mr. Stewart served as the U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary for Europe/Eurasia at the Department of Commerce. As a political appointee under President George W. Bush from 2001-2006, Mr. Stewart directed the Department's activities on trade, commerce, compliance and investment policies for more than 50 countries (including the European Commission, Turkey, Russia and the Independent States). Mr. Stewart also served as the Acting Assistant Secretary and was granted top secret security clearance.

In 2006, Mr. Stewart was awarded the Officer's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary by the President of Hungary for his outstanding contributions to fostering Hungarian-American economic relations. In 2012, Mr. Stewart was awarded the Knights Cross of the Order of Merit by the President of the Republic of Poland for Mr. Stewart's formation of the US-Poland Business Council.

Mr. Stewart, who holds a bachelor's degree from Ohio University, also served three years on the University's National Alumni Board of Directors as well as received the Ohio University 2002 Outstanding Recent Graduate Award.

Mr. Stewart is also the Executive Director of the Executive Council on Diplomacy and the Executive Director of the Center for Baby and Adult Hygiene Products (BAHP).

Mr. Stewart is often called upon by Members of Congress and the Administration for his views on bilateral and regional economic relations with foreign countries. He regularly is in the media including appearances on FOX News and other television outlets.